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The Honorable Kay Granger Chairwoman Committee on Appropriations H-305, the Capitol Washington, D.C. 20515 The Honorable Rosa DeLauro Ranking Member Committee on Appropriations 1036 Longworth HOB Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting funding for City of Leawood, Tomahawk Creek Parkway, from College Boulevard to Roe Avenue, in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is the City of Leawood, located at 4800 Town Center Dr. Leawood, Kansas 66211. The funding would be used for improving the safety of the travelling public by eliminating the risk of getting caught in rising flood waters. The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the Justice Center and a future fire department facility are located along the corridor, and thus raising the roadway out of the floodplain reduces emergency response times and enhances the safety of all citizens of Leawood. In addition, as the roadway is being reconstructed, bike lanes will be added to the roadway along with two marked pedestrian crossings. This will provide better access for the cycling community and pedestrians as well to the recreational facilities along Tomahawk Creek enhancing the wellbeing of the community. The analysis and design of these improvements is important to the City of Leawood due to the ongoing safety concerns with flooding.

The project has a Federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes authorized by: 42 U.S.C. 5305(a)(2).

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

Sharice L. Davids Member of Congress